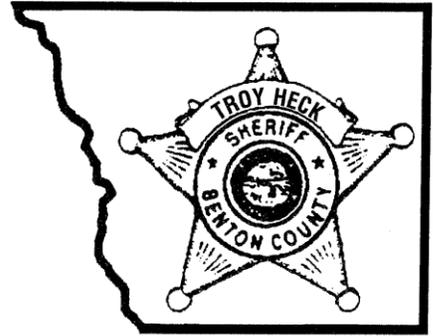


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Topic: **Respecting Diversity**

Hate or bias motivated crimes are not a new problem. It has been around throughout history. To eliminate this problem, here are a few things that you can do:

- ✍ Bring into your home books, tapes, toys, and other items that reflect diverse cultures.
- ✍ Show that you value diversity through your friendships and business relationships.
- ✍ Enforce an attitude that someone's differences are never an acceptable reason for teasing or rejecting.
- ✍ Provide opportunities for you and your family to interact with others who are racially, culturally, physically, or mentally different.
- ✍ Listen to your family's questions about others and answer them.
- ✍ Encourage your children to get involved in all sorts of activities, whether or not they are traditionally male or female.
- ✍ Make it clear to your children that when they make a racial, ethnic, or religious slur that these comments are not acceptable.